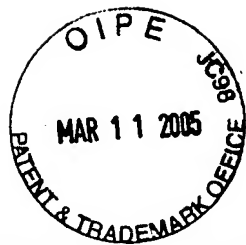


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It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated October 15, 2004, now due to expire January 15, 2005, be extended for two month(s) and set to expire on March 15, 2005.

Please charge the extension fee of \$450.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

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